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For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONFIGURING AND
CONTROLLING NETWORK RESOURCES IN CONTENT
DELIVERY WITH DISTRIBUTED RULES

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND COVER LETTER
SUBMITTING AMENDED PAGES OF APPLICATION**

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Sir:

Enclosed please find a copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report - Form PCT/IPEA/409 (hereinafter "Report") which was drawn on the originally filed description and drawings, and claims as filed on March 17, 2003, and includes as an Annex amended pages 5 and 5a of the specification and amended sheets of claims including claims 1-21.

Based upon the submission of amended sheets of specification and claims, Applicants respectfully request examination on the merits of the application containing amended pages of specification 5 and 5a and claims 1-21, including in place of the originally filed claims.

Additionally, prior to the examination of the above-identified application including replacement claims 1-21, amendment of the specification to insert

reference to the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/264,585 and to claims 4 -9, 11, 16, 19, and 21 to remove multiple dependent claims is requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.